

April Prayer List

Ainsley	Dan S.	John	Rick
Alan	Daniel K.	Karen	Rock R.
Alyssa S.	Deb	Kristin	Ryan
Arnold	Diane L.	Kyle	Sandy B.
Bella	DJ	Larry	Sheldon
Betsy	Don	Laura	Skip L.
Bonita M.	Ellen	Lisa B.	Sophia
Brian	James	Nicole	Sue M.
Carole	Jerry	Patrick B. & family	Walter M.
The Cox family			Winnie D.

We pray for those serving in the Military

Ari	Dino M.	Matt B.
Brian M.	Dylan	Michael D.
Christopher	Guy H.	Ryan R.
Connor W.	Ian S.	Will



We pray for

- The victims of natural and man-made disasters
- The inmates at Hale Creek Correctional Facility
- Our NOAH participants
- Those who come to the Prayer Table on Wednesdays
- The young people in recovery groups
- The continued growth of our One Church Street ministries

Please remember those who cannot attend our services with a card or note. They include:

Audrey Baird
Wells House
201 W. Madison Ave.
Johnstown, NY 12095

Tinker Baird
Room 208
Wells House
201 W. Madison Ave.
Johnstown, NY 12095

Erika Crear
Room 33
Pineview Commons
201 S. Melcher St.
Johnstown, NY 12095

John Bernard
Pineview Commons
201 S. Melcher Street
Johnstown, NY 12095

Millie Rathburn
Willing Helpers Home
226 W. Madison Ave.
Johnstown, NY 12095

*The flowers on the Main Altar
have been given
in loving memory of
my daughter
Renee Helen Soule
by
Susan Bergen*

Hymns for Today's Morning Services

Processional: 47

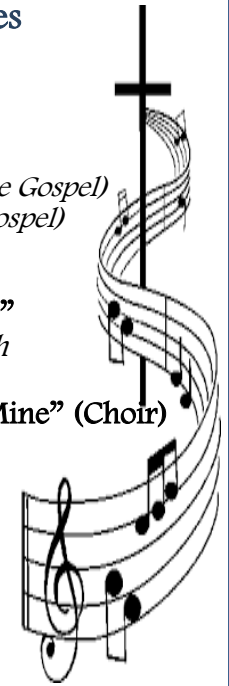
Gradual Hymn: 457
(Verse 1, 2 & 3 before the Gospel)
(Verse 4 & 5 after the Gospel)

Offertory: "Sing Praise to Christ"
J.S. Bach

Communion Hymns: "You are Mine" (Choir)
597
11
(Both in Red Celebration Hymnal)

Recessional Hymn: 344

*Please note:
Hymns are also posted at the front of the Sanctuary.*



Weekly Finance Update April 22-28, 2018

Pledges:
\$ 4,938.00
Plate:
\$ 71.01

About Communion

May I receive communion?
If you are a baptized Christian you are invited to receive communion, no matter what your affiliation.

May my children receive communion?
Yes, if they receive communion at their own church. Some parents prefer their children receive first communion instruction prior to taking communion.

If I choose to receive communion, how is it done?
The ushers will direct you to the center aisle. The consecrated Bread is received with both hands and carried to the mouth. The consecrated Wine is received lightly grasping the base of the chalice with one hand helping the minister to guide it to your lips and tipping it up until you receive enough.

What if I don't wish to drink from the common cup?
You may dip the Bread in the Wine yourself, or leave the Bread in the palm of your hand. The minister with the Cup will pick up the Bread, dip it into the Wine and place it on your tongue.

Must I receive consecrated Wine?
No, if you wish to receive only the Bread, simply pass by the station with the chalice, or cross your arms over your chest to let the chalice bearer know.

What if I choose not to receive communion?
Then we invite you to receive a blessing at the altar. Kneel at the altar with those receiving communion, and cross your arms over your chest. The priest will give you a simple blessing. You can then stand up and return to your seat.

April/May Events, Meetings & Happenings

Sunday, April 29 • Outreach Committee Meeting • Hawkins Room

There will be a brief meeting after the 10AM service today. Meetings are open to all!

Tuesday, May 1 • Recipes are due!

We are collecting recipes to put together a St. John's Cookbook as a fundraiser to help cover Outreach Program expenses. **Forms are available in the foyer or office. Please submit your recipes, by May 1, 2018.**



Thursday, May 3, 2018 • National Day of Prayer • 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. & 7 p.m. Service

- **7 a.m.** St. John's doors will be open for those who want to pray before heading to work. Prayer sheets will be available to guide you, or simply stop in to pray for our local, state and national government, and for our nation.
- **7 p.m.** we will be joined by Grace Lutheran, First Presbyterian Church and Kneseth Israel Synagogue for a Prayer Service for our Nation.

Saturday & Sunday, May 5 & 6 • Sacred Sites at St. John's

- **May 5th: 10 am to 4 pm** with musical performances by organist Malcolm Kogut and St. John's musicians Gary Miller and Alyssa Rizzo.
- **May 6th: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.** with a musical performance by Pennyjar, a traditional music group featuring our own Irena Garin.

Refreshments will be served in the Hawkins Room during the open house hours.

Thursday, May 10 • Ascension Day Service • 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 13 • Happy Mothers Day!

- Martha Ross Small Scholarship Award and Reception

Sunday, May 20 • Last day of Branches Sunday School

Sunday, June 3 • Youth Service

- Sunday School Celebration during Coffee Hour

Welcome!

A warm welcome to all attending today. May your time spent here in worship draw you closer to the source of all light and life in God through Christ Jesus.

All are invited to share coffee and fellowship in the Hawkins Room following the 10 a.m. service.

Ministry and Church Information

Prayer Table Update

Two volunteers prayed for two people this week.

Prayer volunteers for Wednesday, May 2nd are:

Claudette Mayer and Father Alistair



Resources available for Suicide Prevention and Support for Survivors of a Loved One's Suicide

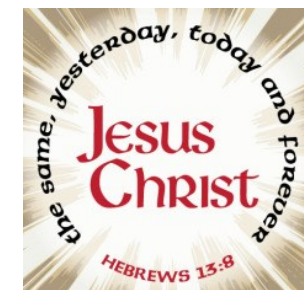
SOLOS (Survivors of a Loved one's Suicide) support group meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital. Call Robert Martin at 518 669 8229.

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE: 1-800-273-8255

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AFSP: Out of the Darkness Community Walks, American Foundation of Suicide Prevention. For information online go to <https://sfsp.donordrive.com/walks>.

Keeping Little Hands Busy: Please note that activity bags are available in the foyer of the church for children to engage preschool ages to about 7 years old. Each bag has a bible story theme. We only ask that families re-pack and return the bags to the basket in the foyer of the church at the end of the service. Let us know how this works for your family!!



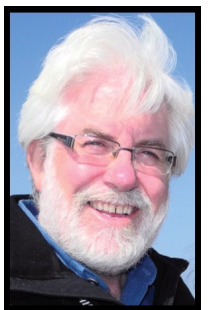
**Annual Convention
June 8-10, 2018**

150th Annual Convention

Friday, June 8 ~ Sunday, June 10

We will welcome Presiding Bishop Michael Curry to help us celebrate this special milestone on Saturday afternoon.

The Rt. Rev. David Parsons, Bishop of the Arctic will be our Special Speaker at St. John's Sunday, June 10th after Convention.



**Council of Churches Vacation Bible School
August 6-12 • 9-Noon • First Presbyterian Church**
We need two volunteers from St. John's to help.
Please contact Pam Miller at 518-762-6719.